

**KEENE**

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sparks and children spent Sunday at M. D. Hull's. Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Higgins and son, Grant, were in Ionia on Saturday.

James Hopkins and son, Albert, were in Belding, Saturday. Lester Hopkins called on his aunt Wednesday. Mrs. Floyd Sparks, Mrs. Eddie Scott and children spent Sunday at Vern Scott's.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Higgins and son, Grant, were in Langston, Sunday to see their sister, Mrs. Sam Cannon and found them well. Mr. Lester Hopkins called on Guy Frist, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hopkins called on Mrs. Jane Darby, Sunday afternoon, also took supper with Mrs. Bert Scheid.

Mr. Will Darbey spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Darbey. Mrs. Lucile Scheid spent Sunday at Frank Blough's.

Bert Scheid and Mr. Lipherd spent Sunday at Ona Burns'.

Mrs. Frank Carr carried 62 bushels of potatoes out of the cellar Saturday and went to Saranac, and from there he went to Lowell and got her mother's washing and when night came she was tired out.

**MURRAY LAKE**

Mrs. Frank Keech and daughter, spent a part of last week with her sisters, near Alto.

Burr Davis spent Thursday and Friday in Grand Rapids. George Lewis and wife entertained the Pedro club last Friday evening.

Clare Keech and Martin Davis were home from Grand Rapids last week.

Mrs. Sarah Purdy spent Saturday and Sunday with her brother, Frank and mother, Mrs. Helen White.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clark and baby, Mrs. George Barnes, Milton and Mildred Barnes visited at Will Engle's, last Sunday.

Roy Ford and family spent Sunday at John Andrew's home.

Mrs. Josie Donovan was ill with the grip last Sunday.

Guests during the past week at Will Donovan's, were Mr. and Mrs. Mike McAndrews, Pat and Russell Abraham, Mable and Clyde Byrnes, Mr. and Mrs. John Donovan, Phil Verley and Tom Murphy.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike McAndrews entertained Will Donovan and family, Mrs. James Abraham and family, Tom Murphy and sisters and Frank Doyle, Sunday evening.

Charles Andrews is spending a few days at Hastings with his son, Will.

**RIVER RIDGE**

Mr. Dell Campbell was confined to his home the fore part of last week with a sore throat, having taken a bad cold.

Last Thursday morning as a good old farmer was going out for the morning chores, he noticed a large pond of water that had stood by the M. R. R. tracks had partly disappeared, on investigating he found that a washout had formed under the track so accordingly he with a lantern in his hand went up the track and just beyond the curve planted himself between the rails and when the Ionia "flyer" rounded the bend up in the River Ridge mountains, he gave her the "swing".

The iron horse, with its gleaming eye, came slowly down to where the good old tiler of the soil stood and he informed the engineer and crew of the danger and they cautiously crept over the "washout". The conductor took the good old man's name and address and he says he is looking now most any day for a free tie pass from his farm to Belding.

Yes, everything is flooded up here in River Ridge.

Mrs. Wm. Antcliff has been bothered with sore throat for the past week.

Mrs. Wm. Bradley is cutting logs for Mr. George Ravell.

Mr. George Antcliff, after considering the flood conditions, out here decided not to "ford" it this week for a while.

Mr. George Hagadorn is drawing hay from near Saranac.

Mr. John Trowbridge is still working on the local freight run between his father's home and Belding.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hernze, of Alma, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Crossman, Saturday. They returned to Alma Saturday evening.

Mr. Crossman was agreeably surprised Saturday evening by the arrival of his brother-in-law, Mr. H. C. Northrop, whom he had not seen for some time.

Mr. Northrop, whose home is near Denver, Colo., has been spending the winter in Michigan and came this way on his return trip home to call on the Crossmans and make them a visit.

Mr. George Antcliff was a River Ridge caller, Sunday.

Our high water has settled some. See Larry Seamon at the Empress, Saturday and Sunday.

**COOKS CORNERS**

Mrs. Leslie Sykes and son, Morris and Mrs. J. L. Morse spent Wednesday with Mrs. George Crane, at Greenville.

Miss Amelia Krupp spent Sunday at M. Kohn's.

Sunday visitors at Walter Fisk's were: Rollie Rising and wife, of Saranac, Lawrence Gephart and family of Grand Rapids; Don Fiske and wife and Fred Deltz and wife, Richard and Irene, also Sidney Brown and wife.

Frank Hubbard and wife and Mrs. Elva Belding spent Sunday at C. M. Hubbard's.

Elon Warner has hired out to Will Hessler, of Grattan and will move there about the 10th of March.

Miss Fannetta Dimmick spent part of Friday at B. J. Storey's.

**SMOKY ROW**

Mrs. Milo Towne visited, Friday afternoon with Mrs. Emory Chickering.

Mrs. R. P. Russell spent the past week with Homer Cook and wife in Ionia.

Fred Bradford and wife were callers at Wm. Sparks', Sunday afternoon.

Roy Taylor and wife, Eli Witt and wife, visited Sunday afternoon at the home of John Kohn.

Elgin Condon and wife visited with Frank Tillotson and wife, Sunday.

Ernest Benton and wife and Edd Hotchkiss and wife had been married 30 years, Friday, February 21, so Edd and wife invited Mr. and Mrs. Benton down to spend the day. In the afternoon they all went down in Keene and spent the afternoon with N. E. Higgins and wife.

Frances Witt visited, Sunday afternoon with Loretta Andres.

Ida Shaw and daughter, Myrtle, returned to Smyrna, Friday after a two weeks' visit at the home of Eli Hanks, Chris Choate, and the Charlie Brink families.

The social held at Seeley school Friday night was well attended. The house was full and the proceeds were \$27.80.

Mrs. John Fisher visited Sunday at Mich. J. Zahm's.

Frank Chrysler and wife spent Sunday with Lewis Seeley and family.

Douglas Buys and family, of Orleans, visited, Sunday, with Milo Towne and family.

Herb Regan returned home Friday after visiting at Grand Rapids and Sand Lake, while in Grand Rapids he consulted the doctor he saw when he was there before.

Mrs. May Sisco, formerly of Belding, died at Eaton Rapids, February 22 at 6 a. m. She was the widow of Edd Sisco.

Dell Cobb and wife visited in Ionia Sunday.

Mrs. Leo Shindorf visited Sunday afternoon with Charlie Breimayer and family.

Mrs. R. P. Russell visited Monday at Knott Cobb's.

Edith Doying and her friend, Hazel Hiley spent Monday with Will Ridsdale and wife. They left Tuesday for Detroit and they stopped in Flint for a short visit. They will take a course in the Detroit Business Institute.

Ben Shindorf and wife visited Joe Henson and wife, Sunday.

See Larry Seamon at the Empress, Saturday and Sunday.

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